



Birthdays/Anniversaries

MARCH

1 Terri Locklair
 4 Bill Groff
 7 Beth Young
 8 Taylor & Caitlin Gilliam
 10 Brackett Gorton
 16 William Allen Strait
 18 Karen Weathers
 23 Teresa Pilat (child)
 24 Rebekah Akins Feigh
 30 Steve Owens

April

1 Ann Chapman
 2 Bruce (Robbie) Robinson
 7 Tom & Terri Locklair
 8 Sallie Marcil
 9 Jordan & Chris Flake
 11 Taylor Gilliam
 11 Ed & Barbara Owens
 13 Georg Retzlaff
 14 Victoria Boone
 18 Serene Owens
 19 Aedan Sullivan (child)
 24 John & ML Tanner
 27 Lillian Butler

Who's Who at All Saints'

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Treasurer: Robbie Robinson

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Altar Guild: Barbara Robinson

Lay Ministry: Jason Priester

Lay Chaplain: Barbara Robinson

Youth Ministry: Rebecca Kenner

INASMUCH: Karen Weathers

President of ECW: Terri Locklair

Men's Group: Jason Priester

St. Anne's: Regina Ratterree

St. Mary's: Delores Goodwin

Vestry

Meets 2nd Wed. of Month 6 pm

Christian Formation Team: Rebecca Kenner

Meets 4th Tues. of Month 6:30 pm

Parish Life Team: Virginia Gilliam

Meets 3rd Thurs. of even Month 6 pm

Stewardship Team: Regina Ratterree

Meets 1st Thurs. of Month 6:30 pm

Facilities Team: Karen Weathers

Meets 3rd Wed. of Month 6 pm

Spiritual Life Team: Will Washburn

Meets 2nd Tues. of Month 6:30pm

Delegates to 2017 Convention:

Regina Ratterree, ML Tanner, Tracey Washburn, Jason Priester

Alternates: Gavin Kenner, Will Washburn

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March/April 2017 Newsletter

Dear All Saints' Community,

Welcome to the new Newsletter format! We will be publishing every two months now, so please get your articles and notices in well ahead of time. Will Washburn is the Editor of the Newsletter (thank you!), and I work with him to have articles formatted and ready for publication. Please send your articles to me by the middle of the month preceding publication (so for May/June, get your articles to me by April 17th).

We will be experimenting with format and other details in the coming months – please give us your feedback.

We are heading into Lent and Easter seasons, and both are opportunities for repentance AND gratitude. To repent is turn around, to turn anew to your relationship with God. We all need to work on that deepest of relationships – just as we need to take time to refresh our relationships with family and friends, we need to refresh our relationship with God. And the action needed is ours, not God's.

Ask yourselves: how much time have I spent daily in prayer or other faithful action? How many times in a week do I recognize the gift and the wonder of God's creation? How often do I respect the dignity of each human being with whom I come in contact? Spending time with these questions is a great Lenten discipline; hopefully it raises your awareness and your expectations for more loving connection with God, God's creation, and your Brothers and Sisters in Christ.

As always, I encourage you to participate fully in Lenten, Holy Week, and Easter services (see the articles in this Newsletter).

Blessings,

Patricia+



LENT, HOLY WEEK, AND EASTER SEASON AT ALL SAINTS'



Ash Wednesday is March 1st. Services are at Noon and 7pm

Sunday Lenten Series: March 12 & 19

5:30pm soup & bread dinner, 6pm Program, 7:15pm Evensong

HOLY WEEK

Palm Sunday	April 9	8am & 10:30am services (starting in the Parish Hall)
Monday in Holy Week	April 10	7pm New Zealand BCP Eucharist
Tuesday in Holy Week	April 11	7pm Stations of the Cross
Wednesday in Holy Week	April 12	7pm tenebrae service
Mundy Thursday	April 13	7pm foot washing & Eucharist
Good Friday	April 14	Noon Stations of the Cross
		7pm Passion & Holy Communion
Holy Saturday	April 15	7:30pm Great Vigil of Easter
EASTER	April 16	9am breakfast & egg hunt; 10:30am Eucharist

Sunday Easter Series: April 30 & May 7

5:30pm soup & bread dinner, 6pm Program, 7:15pm Evensong

**Altar Guild Schedule
March- April, 2017**

Month	Date	Member	Additional Information
March	1	Barbara	Ash Wednesday Noon & 7:00 pm
	5	Barbara	Lent
	12	Jano/ Karen	Lent
	19	Cindi	Lent
	26	Arpina	Lent-Rose Sunday
April	2	Tracey	Lent
	9	Barbara	Palm Sunday
	10-15	Barbara	Holy Week Services
	16	All Altar Guild	Easter Sunday
	23	Jano/ Karen	
	30	Cindi	

Easter Lily Orders

Easter Lily orders will be accepted from **March 12-April 8, 2017**. Dedication slips are located in the narthex. Cost is \$15.00. Easter Lilies are wrapped with green foil and finished with white satin bows. See Barbara Robinson for details.



ECW NEWS

Terri Locklair, ECW President



“And it is no longer that I live, but it is Christ who lives in me. And the life that I live now in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave Himself for me.” Galatians 2:20 (NRV)
March 1, Ash Wednesday, is a call to reflection and renewal. This is especially evident to me this Lenten season with the many challenges in my personal life; the end of our old lifestyle and the beginning of a new period in our daily life, the types of change we all face at various stages in this life.

Your ECW is well and working for you and God's creation through the many projects we support in the world, nation and our diocese. We approved a budget of \$3,495.12 for 2017. Some of these funds are used to support The Diocese of Upper South Carolina ECW projects approved at our annual convention last month. The Diocesan project this year is Camp AIR at Gravatt Camp and Conference Center which is a program to improve reading skills and confidence, in a fun setting for children who have completed the fourth and fifth grade. This is the third year for the program which will have 32 participants attending a one-week session. Our All Saints' ECW will contribute \$150.00 for this mission. The national project for this year is Clover House, a new ministry of St. Francis Community Services (<https://www.st-francis.org/cloverhouse.aspx>) which is geared specifically to the needs of girls from twelve to eighteen who have been rescued

from sex trafficking. They are located in Saline, Kansas and have established a house for four girls with plans to build an additional home soon. There are very few programs of this type, and we are grateful that we can donate \$150.00 from our budget to this greatly under-served need in our country.

The world project for our ECW is the American Friends of the Episcopal Diocese of Jerusalem that is dedicated to building peace by financially supporting education and healthcare to all in the Holy Land and creating awareness in the United States. The AFEDJ is a non-profit 501(c)(3) organization founded in 1988 to support schools, hospitals and institutions for people with disabilities located in Israel, Palestine, Jordan, Lebanon and Syria which are owned and operated by The Diocese of Jerusalem. Funds raised will go towards the \$2,000.00 cost to educate one elementary-aged child for a year in Israel, Palestine or Jordan in the diocesan primary schools. Our ECW will give \$150.00 towards this endeavor.

I was unable to attend the Lenten Quiet Day; Delores Goodwin, who organized the event, has submitted the following information:

Your ECW sponsored a Quiet Day on Saturday, 11 February. We had 18 ladies in attendance including four from St. Luke's in Columbia. Our guest spiritual leader was the Rev. Canon Kellie Wilson. She gave an interactive talk, with quiet reflection for us on the topics of God's story in the Bible, her personal story of Reconciliation and the Call to Sacrificial Love, and Living as a Reconciler in a Divided World (Why They Matter for Everyday Life), with the concluding session of Sharing Our Call to Action. As we reflected and discussed among ourselves these topics, we all gained new insights as to how we need to be a reconciler not only for us but for God. He has placed His stories on us in our life, our church and our relationships.

What steps do we take for us to become reconcilers in our world today? As God continues to love us and offer us ways to improve our relationship with Him and others, especially as Lent approaches, let us bring ways to the table to strengthen our common love for each other. As we remember Christ's love for us, we can ask ourselves, what is my call to action this Lent?

We have an exciting and meaningful year planned; your ECW has been and remains an integral part of our church community. We have earmarked our budget this year to further our Christian stewardship; our complete budget is posted on the bulletin board and provides a list of all the projects we support throughout the year. Please support our UTO Ingathering which will be on 26 March. We invite you to share in this ECW ministry by joining us at our **next meeting on 24 April at 6 PM** when we will have a guest speaker. Hope to see you there!

**MUSINGS FROM YOUR SENIOR WARDEN:
MARK GILLIAM**



I stated in my first newsletter article that I would share some of my insights and personal stories which I thought were beneficial in my development as an individual, and hopefully as a practicing Christian. Here's a story:

Our family owned and operated a business that required lots of time at work and very little home time. Within those terms, our business developed strong relationships with our customers while experiencing all the joys and often sadness with our customers.

One of the life requirements my father stressed to me was "you need to go see Mr. Jones, he's not doing well" or "make sure you check in with in Mrs. Pope, make sure she's doing ok, and see if she needs anything." These acts of duty were most often lost on me as a teenager, yet I managed enough to get by in the eyes of my parents.

One of my most profound acts of visiting was stopping by to see Kat Williams; she lived in a nursing home in Winnsboro, S.C.I had nearly waited too long to visit Kat, and the day I visited was a rainy day. I ran through the parking lot, dodging puddles and fussing about getting wet. As I entered her room, I began my apology about not visiting often enough, while wiping off all the water. Kat grabbed my hand, which startled me, and looked me in the eye and said the most prophetic thing I had ever heard at the time. She began by saying " Sonny, I don't know how long it's been since I felt a drop of rain on me,...as long as I been in here ,....I reckon. I don't believe I'll ever feel the rain again." She continued to look at me and finally sighed, and dropped my hand. I'll never forget her look, nor the sound of her sigh.

In hindsight, I heard what Kat said, but I really wasn't listening. I believe I should have grabbed those two handles on that wheelchair and pushed Kat Williams right through those entrance doors and into the downpour. I wish I had, but I didn't.

I never saw Kat Williams again; I went off to college and found out later she had died, probably never ever feeling the rain. When I heard she had died, I thought back to our last visit, remembering her grip on my hand and looking into my eyes with her closing words and that sad sigh.

I share this story with you for different reasons. One, we all have a story to tell; I believe we learn from stories - Kat told me her story, and now, I'm telling my story about Kat. Jesus told stories and on occasion, he used parables to give deeper meaning and insight to his kingdom. I believe there is a parable here. What do you think? I believe discipleship begins with a story. Let's begin to tell our stories and listen to their meanings...while hearing what God is saying.

**NAMI (National Alliance on Mental Illness)
FAMILY-TO-FAMILY
EDUCATION PROGRAM**



FREE for family members (parents, siblings, adult children) and significant others of an adult individual with:

- Major Depression**
- Bipolar Disorder (Manic Depression)**
- Schizophrenia and Schizoaffective Disorder**
- Borderline Personality Disorder**
- Panic Disorder and Obsessive Compulsive Disorder**
- Post-traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD)**
- Co-occurring Brain Disorders and Addictive Disorders**

A series of 12 sessions structured to help families understand and support individuals with serious mental illness while maintaining their own well being. The course is taught by a team of trained NAMI family member volunteers who know what it's like to have a loved one struggling with one of these brain disorders. **There is no cost to participate in the NAMI Family-to-Family Education Program.**

Columbia, SC
March 5 - May 21, 2017, except Easter Sunday
Every Sunday from 2:00 p.m.- 4:30 p.m.

Pre-registration is required
803-206-2916
info.namimidcarolina@gmail.com

This NAMI Family-to-Family Education Program is sponsored and funded by NAMI SC and the NAMI Mid-Carolina affiliate. www.namimid-carolina.org



News from the Parish Life Team

We will be volunteering for "Lunch on Lawn" to feed the homeless on Saturday, March 25th. On July 8, we will be both preparing the hotdogs and serving. It's a very rewarding experience, so please consider participating!
The "Shift Kickoff" will be on Saturday morning, **February 25**, from 9:00 to 11:30, and breakfast will be provided.

We will be having two Lenten soup dinners, on **March 12 and March 19**, as well as two Easter Season soup dinners, on **April 30 and May 7**. During these events, we will be sharing dinner, discussing "Navigating the Shift," and celebrating Evensong.

On Easter morning (April 16), our covered dish brunch will begin at 9:00, followed by an egg hunt and 10:30am Eucharist. We look forward to celebrating with everyone!

If you have any questions or would like to volunteer to help at any of these events, please contact Virginia Gilliam.

St. Anne's Guild



St. Anne's Guild will meet next on **March 16th at noon** in the Smith Parish House. Our speaker will be Karen Sundstrom from Lexington County Aging Commission. Refreshments will be provided by Barbara Ulmer.
The April meeting will be on **April 20th at 11 am** in the Common Room of Smith Parish House. Read Hebrews 10:1-25 for the lesson.
You are invited! If you have questions or need transportation, check with Regina Ratterree.



St. Mary's Guild

The next meeting of St. Mary's Guild will be **Monday, March 6, at 6:00 pm**, in the Parish Hall.

Our lesson will be on Mary Magdalene. We are studying from the books, *The Scarlet Cord* and *Bible Women: All Their Words and Why They Matter*. In these two books, we have learned about Bible women who are mentioned only briefly and those whom we all know.

Our April meeting will be on Monday, April 3, at 6:00 pm, in the Parish Hall. Our lesson will be on The Women at the Tomb. The March and April lessons are tied to Lent as these women were the first to see the empty tomb.

I will have copies of the lessons for everyone this week. They will be in the mailbox for St. Mary's in the church office. Please let me know, and I will get you a copy. Tracie Washburn and Debra Spencer have joined our Guild.

Dinner is provided each month by two ladies from our group. Come visit us!

Delores Goodwin



Dear All Saints' Family,

We are truly thankful for your generous hearts have enabled us to collect \$439.97 for the United Thank Offering 2016. No matter how large or small the gifts, all are received equally with a warm thank-you.
Below are a few examples of the 2016 grant recipients and how the UTO offering reaches near and far.

Diocese of Upper South Carolina \$46,800.00

Gravatt Outdoor Learning Centers
Gravatt Camp and Conference Center
Aiken, South Carolina
To provide three outdoor learning centers at the Gravatt Camp and Conference Center to support environmental education. These centers include a covered tree house with a composting toilet and outdoor classroom; an outdoor farm classroom and storage shed; and a lakeside outdoor classroom with a labyrinth. Needed equipment to maintain the areas and trails will be funded.

Diocese of Haiti \$41,300.00
St. Barnabas' Agricultural College, Terrier Rouge, Haiti
To restore dormant farmland surrounding the diocesan-owned St. Barnabas' Agricultural College. A tractor and plow will be purchased. The food economy will be revitalized by making the land once again bear fruit and support the health and well-being of those who inhabit it. The tractor will be rented out to local farmers in the college's outreach and teaching efforts.

As we are preparing for our spring 2017 Ingathering on March 26th, keep in mind the many ways that our thankful blessings in the blue box help others. Offerings will be gathered at the 8:00 and 10:30 am services.

With Love and In Christ,
Joy Sullivan & Rebecca Kenner

May Happenings



- 3 11am Bible Study
- 4 6pm Stewardship Team
- 7 5:30pm Easter Soup & Bread dinner, program, Evensong
- 9 6:30pm Spiritual Life Team
- 10 11am Bible Study; 6pm Vestry
- 17 11am Bible Study; 6pm Facilities Team
- 18 11am St. Anne's Guild
- 21 Youth Sunday; Graduates reception
- 23 6:30pm Christian Formation Team
- 24 11am Bible Study
- 28 Ascension Sunday
- 31 11am Bible Study